WHEREAS, The American National Red Cross is designated by the Congress of the United States in Public Law #4, 58th Congress, January 5, 1905 as the agency to provide welfare services to the armed forces, veterans, and their families, and relief to the victims of disaster; and,

WHEREAS, The American National Red Cross helps keep our families safe and healthy through its training of thousands of South Dakota citizens annually in first aid, water safety and home nursing; and,

WHEREAS, Thousands of South Dakota citizens devote their time as Red Cross Volunteers to carry out the wide range programs and services in our State:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD F. KNEIP, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the month of March as

RED CROSS MONTH

throughout the State of South Dakota and I urge that all individuals throughout the State take note of the tremendous efforts that the American National Red Cross has put forth on behalf of all our citizens. I call upon each of you to contribute your support to the American National Red Cross and its South Dakota Chapters by making contributions of your time as Red Cross Volunteers and your dollars to ensure the continued work of this worthy organization.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this 6th day of March, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-three.

Richard F. Kneip

RICHARD F. KNEIP, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Lorna B. Herseth

LORNA B. HERSETH, SECRETARY OF STATE